
Piscataquis Historical Society

By-Laws Membership A Bibliography



Joseph-E. Foxcroft

COLONEL JOSEPH ELLERY FOXCROFT, the original proprietor of township number 5, R. 7, North of the Waldo Patent and now the town of Foxcroft, Maine.

He was born in New Gloucester, Maine, March 10, 1773, and died there September 1, 1852.

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Officers For 1916

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John Francis Sprague, Dover

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TREASURER

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Past Officers

PRESIDENT

John Francis Sprague

1908—

VICE-PRESIDENTS

Miss Mary E. Averill, Foxcroft

1908-1915

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1908—

RECORDING SECRETARIES

Francis C. Peaks, Dover

1908-1916

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1916

CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES

Edgar Crosby Smith, Foxcroft

1908-1911

William H. Sturtevant, Dover

1911-1913

Edgar Crosby Smith, Foxcroft

1913-1916

Francis C. Peaks, Dover

1916

Piscataquis County Historical Society

Its First Meeting

Twenty men, residents of Piscataquis County, met in the Law Library at the Court House Tuesday afternoon, April 7, 1908, at the call of Judge Edgar Crosby Smith to consider the matter of organizing an historical society for Piscataquis County. Mr. Smith called the meeting to order and John Francis Sprague was made chairman and Francis C. Peaks, secretary. Remarks were made by several persons and as the sentiment was unanimous in favor of a society it was voted to organize the Piscataquis County Historical Society, and the following named officers were elected: President, John Francis Sprague; recording secretary, Francis C. Peaks; corresponding secretary, Edgar Crosby Smith; treasurer, Liston P. Evans. The first standing committee were the president ex-officio; Wainwright Cushing, Foxcroft; Henry Hudson, Guilford; James E. Bigney, Greenville; Jonathan A. Chase, Sebec.

It was voted that any records, papers, curiosities or antiques that may come into the possession of the society shall be deposited in the Thompson Free Library.

This Society was incorporated under the provisions of Chapter 57, Revised Statutes of Maine (1903), at a meeting held in Dover, Maine, January 7, 1909.

At this meeting the following were present: Francis C. Peaks, Liston P. Evans, William H. Sturtevant,

Doctor Elbridge A. Thompson, of Dover; Wainwright Cushing, Mary E. Averill, Osgood P. Martin, Sarah Angelia (Lucas) Martin, Edgar Crosby Smith, of Foxcroft; Henry Hudson of Guilford; James E. Bigney of Greenville; Martin L. Durgin of Milo; Jonathan A. Chase of Sebec.

The officers elected at this meeting were:

PRESIDENT

John Francis Sprague, Dover

VICE-PRESIDENT

Mary E. Averill, Foxcroft

RECORDING SECRETARY

Francis C. Peaks, Dover

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Edgar Crosby Smith, Foxcroft

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Martin L. Durgin, Milo

At this meeting it was voted to adopt the following:

By-Laws

Art. 1. The name of this association shall be Piscataquis County Historical Society.

Art. 2. The object of the association shall be to collect and preserve, so far as our time and funds will permit, whatever will tend to illustrate any department of the civil, military, ecclesiastical, and natural history,

especially of Piscataquis County, and of the State of Maine.

Art. 3. Those members who reside in the County of Piscataquis shall be denominated Resident Members; all others Corresponding Members. Resident Members only shall be required to contribute to the funds of the Society.

Art. 4. The annual meeting shall be held at Dover, Maine, on the first Thursday in January, and regular quarterly meetings on the first Thursday in April, July and October, at such place as the Standing Committee designate.

Art. 5. There shall be chosen at the annual meeting a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and six Trustees. The Corresponding Secretary shall be ex-officio Librarian and Cabinet Keeper. Whenever it shall be deemed necessary a Publication Committee shall be appointed by the President.

Art. 6. Each resident member shall pay the sum of one dollar annually, in advance, to create a fund for the benefit of the institution. And any member who neglects to pay his annual dues for the space of two years after they become due, shall be notified of his neglect by the Treasurer, and unless payment is made within one month after such notification, he shall no longer be deemed a member of the Society.

Art. 7. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business.

Art. 8. All elections of officers and members shall be by written ballot.

Art. 9. It shall be the duty of the President, or in his absence the Vice-President, the Recording or Corresponding Secretary to call occasional meetings of the

Society on application, in writing, of the Standing Committee, or any five members.

Art. 10. All members shall be notified in writing of all meetings.

Art. 11. New members may be admitted at any regular meeting. They shall pay to the Treasurer one dollar within six months of the notification of their election, or their election shall be considered void. The first payment shall be for their admission fee, and shall be in full for annual dues for the remaining part of the current year.

STANDING COMMITTEE

Art. 12.

Sec. 1. The Trustees, together with the President, shall be designated the Standing Committee.

Sec. 2. The Standing Committee shall regulate all the common expenses of the Society, and make or authorize the necessary purchases of such articles as may be wanted, and draw on the Treasurer to defray the expense. At least two shall approve all bills against the Society, before payment of the same.

Sec. 3. They shall inspect the records and see that all orders of the Society are carried into effect with promptness and fidelity.

Sec. 4. It shall be their duty to inquire for, and to take judicious measures within the means of the Society to procure manuscripts, books and articles of curiosity for the benefit of the Society.

Sec. 5. They shall prepare such business as may deserve the attention of the Society.

PRESIDENT

Art. 13. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, shall call special meetings when the same

shall be necessary, and shall be ex-officio a member of the Standing Committee.

VICE-PRESIDENT

Art. 14. In the absence of the President, he shall preside at the meetings of the Society, and perform all the duties of the President.

RECORDING SECRETARY

Art. 15. He shall fairly record, in a book kept for that purpose, all votes of the Society, and he shall notify the members of all meetings of the Society agreeably to the By-laws.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Art. 16. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to advance the interests of the organization in every way proper, by correspondence with the members, and all other persons, who are, or might be, interested in the welfare of the Society; to solicit papers to be read at the meetings, or to be deposited with the Librarian; and to assist the Standing Committee in the performance of their duties. He shall preside in the absence of the President and Vice-President.

TREASURER

Art. 17. He shall receive all moneys due the Society, and pay them out on the orders of the Standing Committee. He shall make and keep fair entries, in a book kept for that purpose, of all moneys received and paid by him; and at every annual meeting shall exhibit to the Society a statement of his accounts, and of the funds of the Society.

LIBRARIAN AND CABINET KEEPER

Art. 18. He shall be the custodian of all the books, manuscripts, papers, documents and curiosities of the

Society, and shall allow all members access to the same at any time. He shall keep a list of all things in his custody, and present the same to the members at the annual meeting.

Art. 19. Additions or amendments to these By-laws may be made at any regular meeting, by a majority vote, provided at least five must vote in the affirmative.

Membership

Resident Members

Averill, Mary E.,	Foxcroft
Averill, Anna B.,	Dover
Arnold, Gilman L.,	Foxcroft
Atwood, Samuel Frank,	Foxcroft
Ames, Judson,	Foxcroft
Brown, Calvin W.,	Dover
Blanchard, Edward P.,	Blanchard
Berry, Matthew S.,	Brownville
Brown, Stephen O.,	Dover
Ball, Frank W.,	Dover
Buck, Edward B.,	Foxcroft
Brintnell, Lena M.,	Foxcroft
Chase, Ezekiel L.,	Brownville
Chapin, Mrs. Henrietta M.,	Monson
Cole, Elmer E.,	Dover
Crosby, Dr. Nathaniel H.,	Milo
Campbell, Angus O.,	Sangerville
Chase, Charles J.,	Sebec Station
Christie, Dan F.,	Dover
Crossland, Mrs. Clara Hayden,	Dexter
Cushing, Wainwright,	Foxcroft
Durgin, Martin L.,	Milo
Dunning, Charles H.,	Brownville
Daggett, George W.,	Milo
Douglass, Elbridge T.,	Dover

Dyer, Thomas F.,	Foxcroft
Dinsmore, Arthur Allen,	Dover
Evans, Liston P.,	Dover
Evans, Clara V.,	Dover
Ford, Doctor Louis C.,	Milo
Flint, John R.,	Monson
Folsom, Lindley H.,	Greenville
Floyd, F. Marion,	Willimantic
Gilman, Augustus W.,	Foxcroft
Guernsey, Frank E.,	Dover
Genthner, Benjamin T.,	Foxcroft
Hayes, Harold M.,	Foxcroft
Hayes, Charles W.,	Foxcroft
Hayes, Lola B.,	Foxcroft
Hudson, Henry,	Guilford
Hussey, Marcellus L.,	Guilford
Hudson, James H.,	Guilford
Hutchinson, Crosby O.,	Atkinson
Hughes, J. Frank,	Foxcroft
Hall, Robert E.,	Dover
Hescock, Mrs. Blanche G.,	Monson
Johnston, Edwin M.,	Brownville
Johnson, Levi F.,	Brownville
Knowlton, William Smith,	Monson
Lee, Lyman K.,	Foxcroft
Leason, W. Shepard,	Atkinson
Leland, Frank W.,	Sangerville
Monroe, William H.,	Milo
Mayo, Josiah B.,	Foxcroft
Martin, Osgood P.,	Foxcroft
Martin, Sarah Angelia (Lucas),	Foxcroft
Morrill, Harold E.,	Monson
Merrill, Doctor E. Delmont,	Foxcroft
Marsh, Doctor Ralph H.,	Guilford

Owen, William S.,	Milo
Peaks, Francis C.,	Dover
Parsons, Willis E.,	Foxcroft
Packard, Henry M.,	Guilford
Palmer, Etta B.,	Dover
Ramsdell, Mary E.,	Milo
Stubbs, Mrs. W. T.,	Foxcroft
Stubbs, William T.,	Foxcroft
Sprague, John Francis,	Dover
Smith, Edgar Crosby,	Foxcroft
Sturtevant, William H.,	Lubec
Shaw, Charles D.,	Greenville
True, Miss Mabel L.,	Foxcroft
Towne, Henry S.,	East Dover
Woodbury, William C.,	Dover
Warren, Alanson M.,	Dover
Warren, Lottie D.,	Dover
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Young, Rodney A.,	Onawa

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Blanding, Edward Mitchell,	Bangor, Maine
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Guernsey, Samuel J.,	Peabody Museum,
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Gilmore, Evelyn L.,	
	Librarian Historical Society, Portland, Maine
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Hale, Honorable Clarence,	Portland, Maine
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Pilsbury, Charles A.,	Belfast, Maine
Royal, William C.,	West Somerville, Mass.
Sewall, William G.,	Fresno, Cal.
Schirmer, C. G.,	Berlin, Mass.
Washburn, William F.,	Sturgeon Bay, Wis.

Deceased Resident Members

Barrows, George L.,	Sangerville
Buck, Doctor William,	Foxcroft
Bigney, James E.,	Greenville
Chase, Jonathan A.,	Sebec
Chase, Andrew J.,	Sebec
Chapin, Albert W.,	Monson
Dinsmore, David E.,	Dover
Delano, Washington W.,	Abbot
Ellis, Columbus W.,	Guilford
Flint, Henry B.,	Foxcroft
Garey, Moses E.,	Dover
Gerry, Eben O.,	Dover
Knowlton, Leonard,	Sangerville
Oakes, William P.,	Foxcroft
Pullen, Mrs. Horace C.,	Monson
Peaks, Joseph B.,	Dover
Roberts, James T.,	Dover
Smith, Samuel A.,	Brownville
Thompson, Doctor Elbridge A.,	Dover
Vaughan, Sarah C.,	Foxcroft
Williams, Owen B.,	Sangerville

Deceased Corresponding Members

Boardman, Samuel Lane,	Augusta, Maine
Clark, Colonel Charles A.,	Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Hamlin, General Charles,	Bangor, Maine
Jenks, Alexander H.,	Presque Isle, Maine
Pierce, Thomas H. B.,	Dexter, Maine
Rice, Honorable John H.,	4923 Lake Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Robinson, Alexander M.,	Bangor, Maine
Sewall, Reverend John S.,	Bangor, Maine
Wing, Henry A.,	Lewiston, Maine

Midsummer Meetings

1908

The Society has held midsummer meetings or outings each year since its organization. The first of these meetings was at Sebec, July 23, 1908, and was held in the Meeting House. An opening address was made by President Sprague, and an historical sketch of Sebec was read by Major Wainwright Cushing. Major Cushing also read a paper on Piscataquis Lodge, F. and A. M., written by Judge Martin L. Durgin of Milo. Sketches of Ezekiel Chase and Enoch Brown, Revolutionary Soldiers who had settled in Sebec, were read by Judge Edgar C. Smith, who also read a sketch of Peter Brawn, one of the early settlers of Foxcroft. Honorable Arno W. King of Ellsworth, justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Maine, a corresponding member of the Society, was present at this meeting and made a brief address.

1909

July 31, the Society went by the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad to Kidder's Point on Penobscot Bay and it was an enjoyable occasion.

1910

August 6: This was at Earley's at Willimantic. Dinner at Earley's Hotel and meeting in Earley's Hall. Paper on "Early Navigation on Sebec Lake," by Charles W. Hayes.

1911

July 27: Sail on Sebec Lake. Picnic dinner on the Bowerbank shore of the lake. Papers, "Colonel Joseph E. Foxcroft," by Charles W. Hayes; "Life of Captain Elijah Lowe of Bangor, Maine," by John Francis Sprague; poem by Mrs. Sarah Angelia (Lucas) Martin.

1912

The Society was this year invited by the people of Sebec to participate with them in celebrating the centennial of that town, August 24, 1912, and voted to make this event their midsummer meeting.

Honorable Charles J. Chase of Sebec was president of the day.

The historical address was by Mr. Stacy C. Lanpher of Sebec. Addresses were delivered by President Sprague, Calvin W. Brown of Dover; Wainwright Cushing and Charles W. Hayes of Foxcroft; Martin L. Durgin and Doctor Louis C. Ford of Milo; and Walter S. Ladd of Sebec.

Taylor's Band of Dover-Foxcroft was in attendance and the celebration was a successful one in every particular and an honor to the citizenry of that town.

1913

August 20: Went by Bangor & Aroostook and Monson Railroad to Monson Village. Dinner was furnished in G. A. R. Hall by the ladies of the Congregational Society. Meeting at the Congregational Church. Reading of selections from Anna Boynton Averill's poems by Francis C. Peaks. Papers, "On Early Settlers of Guilford, Maine," Mrs. Sarah Angelia (Lucas) Martin; "Early Navigation on Lake Hebron," Walter C. Jackson; "Old Time School Teachers of Piscataquis County," Mary E. Averill.

Among those from out of the county was Fannie Hardy Eckstorm of Brewer.

1914

August 25, 1914, the Society held a meeting at the Moose Horn Sign Post, where the old Blanchard road butts off from the main highway to Moosehead Lake in the town of Abbot. At a previous meeting it had been voted to replace the Moose Horns which were first erected in 1817 and to make this occasion its midsummer meeting.

Charles D. Shaw of Greenville, in an appropriate speech, in behalf of his brother, Honorable Albert H. Shaw of Bath, Maine, presented to the Society a set of Moose Horns, which were fixed to a post placed on the same spot where had been the old one for nearly a century.

A slate tablet, bearing a proper inscription and presented by George H. Wilkins of Monson, was attached to the post.

On behalf of the Society, President Sprague accepted the custody and care of this sign post, and delivered an address upon its early history and referred to the early history of the towns of Abbot and Monson.

Henry Hudson also spoke, referring to it and to the early days of Monson and Abbot.

One of the interesting incidents of the day was the presentation of an American flag to the Society by Harry A. Sanders of Greenville, on condition that it be hoisted on the sign post on each succeeding anniversary of this day and on each Memorial Day and the Fourth day of July.

J. Dexter Draper of the Moose Horn neighborhood was appointed custodian of the flag by President Sprague.

A poem, "The Moose Horns," was read by Mrs. Sarah Angelia (Lucas) Martin of Foxcroft, and short speeches were made by Osgood P. Martin, Harry L. Smith, Harold E. Morrill, Professor William S. Knowlton, J. Dexter Draper, Frank W. Ball, Arthur A. Crafts, Harry A. Sanders, Reverend E. M. Bartlett of Canton, Connecticut, Edward P. Blanchard and John H. Blanchard.

It was at that time by far the most successful outing that the Society had ever had.

Several hundred citizens, not members of the Society, were present, some coming from other parts of the state among whom was Fannie Hardy Eckstorm of Brewer.

1915

Through the courtesy of the Bangor Historical Society, the Piscataquis Society united with it in an excursion to the historic old town of Castine, where on July 14-15, 1915, the two Societies held historical field days and meetings.

The exercises commenced in the evening of July 14 in Emerson Memorial Town Hall, where an address of welcome was made by Honorable W. A. Walker on behalf of the Castine Board of Trade. Responses were made by Honorable Henry Lord, president of the Bangor Society, and John Francis Sprague, president of the Piscataquis Society. Other speakers at these meetings were Mr. Charles W. Noyes of New York, Doctor George A. Wheeler and Mrs. Louise Wheeler Bartlett of Castine, Honorable Frank E. Guernsey of Dover, Mr. Edward M. Blanding and Doctor William C. Mason of Bangor, and Professor Warren K. Moorehead of Andover, Massachusetts.

It was a memorable occasion and those of our mem-

bers who did not attend lost the enjoyment of an event full of interest and pleasure.

1916

The Society held a meeting Tuesday evening, February 1, 1916, in the Congregational Chapel in Foxcroft, and although not an outing it was of such importance that mention of it should be made herein.

The able and eloquent Reverend Henry E. Dunnack of Augusta, Maine, State Librarian, delivered a scholarly and masterly address to a large and appreciative audience on "Message of the Books or The Romance of History."

When the speaker had closed, Reverend J. H. Wilkins of Foxcroft arose and in behalf of those present, who were not members of the Historical Society, expressed their appreciation of the efforts of the speaker and how much they owed the Society for such a delightful entertainment, and called on all to manifest their gratitude by a rising vote which was responded to enthusiastically.

Contributions

Books and Pamphlets

Commission of the First Judge of Probate of Piscataquis County. Presented by Doctor L. C. Ford of Milo

A History of the Penobscot County Medical Association.

Presented by Doctor Wm. C. Mason of Bangor
Indian Place-Names on the Penobscot and St. John
Rivers. Presented by Edgar Crosby Smith

A Bibliography of the Maps of Maine.

Presented by Edgar Crosby Smith
Moses Greenleaf, Maine's First Map Maker.

Presented by Edgar Crosby Smith
Historical Sketch and Illustrations of Greenville and
Moosehead Lake, Industrial Journal.

Presented by Edgar Crosby Smith
Sebastian Ralé. Presented by John Francis Sprague
Piscataquis Biography.

Presented by John Francis Sprague
History of Dorie Lodge, F. and A. M., of Monson.

Presented by John Francis Sprague
Monson Semi-Centennial.

Presented by Albert W. Chapin of Monson
History of Mt. Kineo Lodge, F. and A. M., of Guilford, Maine.

Presented by John Francis Sprague
Accidental Shooting in the Game Season.

Presented by John Francis Sprague

A New and Complete System of Arithmetic, (Boston, 1809).

Genealogy of the Hinckley Family, 1635-1905.

Presented by Charles D. Shaw, Greenville

Rules and Orders of the House of Representatives of the State of Maine, 1831.

Rules and Orders of the House of Representatives of the State of Maine, 1837.

Bulletin of the Society for the Preservation of N. E.

Antiquities. Presented by the Society (Boston 1915)

Bound Volumes (1-2) of the Piscataquis Herald, the First Newspaper of Piscataquis County.

Presented by Samuel D. Edes

First Docket of the Piscataquis County Probate Court.

Presented by Doctor L. C. Ford

Manuscripts, Records, Unpublished Papers, Etc.

Record of the Hospital Department of the 12th Regiment, Maine Volunteers.

Presented by Doctor E. A. Thompson

History of Methodism in Piscataquis County.

Presented by Reverend Charles F. Smith

Constitution and By-Laws of the Band of the 5th R.

1st B-3d D. of the Militia of Maine. Made and adopted October 17, 1840.

The First Band in Piscataquis County.

Presented by Wm. H. Sturtevant

History of Congregationalism in Piscataquis County.

Presented by Reverend G. A. Merrill

Robert Moore.

Presented by Clara M. Monroe

Copy of Letter from J. S. C. Blanchard, relating to

History of Shaw Family of Greenville, Maine.

Presented by Henry Hudson

An Account of the Fire in Miranichi, 1825.

Presented by Charles D. Shaw

Copies of the Complete Records of the Western Piscataquis Republican Class Conventions, 1861-1906.

Presented by John Francis Sprague

Paper on John Hovey Rice.

Presented by John Francis Sprague

Paper on The John Ellery Foxcroft Mansion at New Gloucester, Maine.

Presented by Charles W. Hayes

Paper on The First Newspaper in Piscataquis County.

Presented by John Francis Sprague

Letter from Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens.

Presented by Miss Mary E. Averill

Genealogy of the Ames Family.

Presented by Judson Ames

Paper on Further Gleanings in the Early History of the Town of Guilford.

Presented by Sarah (Lucas) Martin

Paper on Guilford in the Early Days as Remembered by Captain Wm. W. Lucas.

Presented by Sarah (Lucas) Martin

A Piscataquis Boy at Appomattox.

Presented by Osgood P. Martin

Paper on Early Navigation on Lake Hebron.

Presented by Walter C. Jackson

Letters from P. C. Johnson, 1844, and Mordecai Mitchell, 1845.

Presented by Susie Hutchinson

Letter from John Merrick, 1852.

Presented by Wm. H. Sturtevant

Letter from F. H. Helsell of Fort Dodge, Iowa, regarding Wm. T. Stubbs' work as a Teacher in the West.

Papers relating to Old Time School Teachers in Piscataquis County.

Presented by M. E. Averill,
Dover; Sarah Lucas Martin,
Lola Hayes, Ella M. Getchell,
of Foxcroft; Wm. S. Leason
of Atkinson; and Wm. S. Knowlton
of Monson.

Photograph of the Home Guards of Dover and Foxcroft, 1863.

Military Order of Co. A, Piscataquis Rifle Co., 1856.

Presented by Wm. C. Woodbury

Arrow Head.

Presented by Jonathan A. Chase

Paper on Thomas Field Hovey of Abbot, Maine, an Old Time Piscataquis School Teacher.

Presented by his daughters, Elizabeth
Ayer and Nellie Brasier

Paper on The First Lawyer in Piscataquis County,
David Agry, 1794-1877.

Presented by Edgar Crosby Smith

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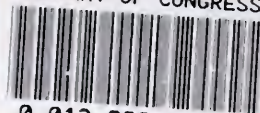
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